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Caliper Lake Provincial Park receives many compliments on its beauty and peacefulness. The stately stand of red and white pines in which the campsites are set, the rocky outcrops, the gently sloped open picnic field, the nearness of the beasts of the forest — all of these things give you a feeling of serenity and remoteness at Caliper Lake. The mood of the place is epitomized by the wild, haunting cry of the loon, by campers close to their fires at night watching the flames by the whisper of the midnight breeze in the pines and by the long shadows they cast in the



moonlight. The park is not large — only 100 hectares — but people come because it's intimate and friendly and, above all, peaceful.

#### Plants and Animals

The pines give the park its special look — but there are many other kinds of trees at Caliper Lake. The boreal forest is dominated by aspen, cedar and balsam and all of these are well represented in the park. There are also black spruce and jackpine.

There are deer and bears in the woods and



you may very well see such animals if you stay for a while. Squirrels, rabbits and groundhogs are quite common, even in the campground. Keep an eye open for interesting birds too. There are loons and grouse, magnificent eagles and ospreys. And listen at night for the call of the barred owl. Since 1981 White Pelicans are a common sight while feeding on Caliper Lake.

#### Enjoying the Park

**Canoeing** Caliper Lake and nearby lakes are excellent for canoeing. There are two possible canoe trips from Caliper Lake via the Log River. For information ask at the Park Office or write to the District Office.

**Boating** Caliper Lake is an easily navigable lake with very few water hazards. There are no motor restrictions on this lake. The park has two boat launch ramp facilities.

**Fishing** In Caliper Lake, you can fish for yellow pickerel (walleye), northern pike, small mouth bass and crappie. Fishing from a boat, the lakeshore or the park docks is a pleasant pastime for many park



visitors.

**Hiking** The park has a hiking trail with two loops of 2.7 km and 2.3 km for a total length of 5 km. A walk along this trail will give you a chance to observe the birds and wildlife of the park.

**Swimming** There is good swimming at Caliper. The waters of the lake are clean and warm and the sandy beach is a great place to stretch out for a suntan.

#### Camping

There are 92 campsites of which 55 can accommodate trailers. All the sites are in a quiet and sandy pure pine stand. Showers, toilets, firewood, water taps and a comfort station are located near the sites, each of which contains a table, a fireplace and space for a car and tent or a trailer. 55 of the trailer sites have electrical hookups. The Group Camping Area is large enough for 40 people. Representatives of organizations wishing to use these facilities should write well ahead of time to the District Manager at the address below.





### Useful Information

In an emergency, go to the gatehouse where there is a first aid kit. If the gatehouse is closed, use the pay telephone outside.

Ambulance: 484-2113 (8 km north)  
Doctor: 482-2323 (Ems, 58 km south)  
Hospital: 482-2881 (Ems)  
OPP: Zenith 50,000

There are stores and outfitters at Nestor Falls.

### A Word about Park Rules

There is only one basic rule in Ontario's Provincial Parks System: have respect and consideration for your fellow visitors and the park environment. There is a Provincial Parks Act as well as other legislation in which the laws that apply in provincial parks are set out. These are available in the park office and you are invited to examine them. If you keep the basic rule in mind, though, you will probably never need to concern yourself with the fine points of the law.

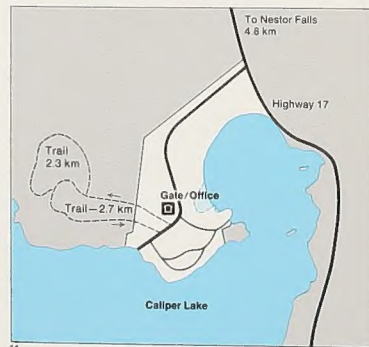
### Ontario Provincial Parks

This park is administered by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources. Among the many functions of the Ministry are the planning, managing and protecting of thousands of square kilometres of park land from Hudson Bay to Lake Erie, from Manitoba to Quebec. Provincial Parks vary considerably in size and use. Each is classified as a Recreation, Natural Environment, Wilderness, Waterway, Historical or Nature Reserve Park, according to its particular qualities and the needs of the public. Caliper is a Recreation Park.

For more information, write, call, or visit one of the offices listed below.

Communications Services Branch  
Ministry of Natural Resources  
Whitney Block, Queen's Park  
Toronto, Ontario M7A 1W3  
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